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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment/Response in the above-identified patent application.

No additional fee is required. [X]

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

SIR:

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 15, 2007.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 1 to 11 directed to a high-strength steel sheet for further prosecution in this application.

In further response to the Restriction Requirement, applicants hereby elect the claims of Species b, i.e., claim 9 directed to ferrite and bainite for further prosecution in this application.

This election is made without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application(s) directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.